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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1050 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY HARKINS, McNEILL, CONKLIN, COHEN, MAHONEY, MURT  
AND GIBBONS, APRIL 27, 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 27, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.903, No.362), entitled "An  
2 act authorizing cities of the third class to establish an  
3 optional retirement system for officers and employes  
4 independently of any pension system or systems existing in  
5 such cities," further providing for certain increases in  
6 compensation.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 4.1 of the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.903,  
10 No.362), entitled "An act authorizing cities of the third class  
11 to establish an optional retirement system for officers and  
12 employes independently of any pension system or systems existing  
13 in such cities," added June 11, 1992 (P.L.297, No.49), is  
14 amended to read:

15 Section 4.1. (a) The board [may] shall, subject to the  
16 approval required under subsection (b), increase the  
17 compensation of any member of the fund by reason of and after  
18 the termination of the services of such member of the fund. Such  
19 increases shall be in conformity with a uniform scale, which  
20 shall be based on the Consumer Price Index for all urban

1 consumers calculated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the  
2 United States Department of Labor, but the total of any such  
3 allowance shall not at any time exceed one-half of the current  
4 salary being paid to nonuniformed employes of the highest pay  
5 grade.

6 (b) The board [may] shall recommend the increase described  
7 in subsection (a) to the city council at any time. Provided that  
8 the provisions of section 305 of the act of December 18, 1984  
9 (P.L.1005, No.205), known as the "Municipal Pension Plan Funding  
10 Standard and Recovery Act," have been satisfied, the council, by  
11 ordinance, [may] shall approve this increase subject, however,  
12 to the approval of the [mayor] board.

13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.